## TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR MANUAL RELEASES

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**APPLICABILITY:** QMB/SLMB income standards

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### **COMMENTS**

Manual Release MR-122 contains the new QMB/SLMB income standards effective April 1, 2005. Apply the new standards to any application or redetermination dated April 1, 2005 or after. The COLA disregard will be removed from CARES effective April 30, 2005 via mass modification.

### **APPENDIX A**

# MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Table 1

QMB INCOME STANDARDS

Effective 4/1/05	Individual	° Couple
Annual	\$9,570.00	\$12,830.00
Monthly	\$ 818.00*	\$ 1,090.00*

Table 2
SSI PAYMENT RATE

Effective 1/1/05	Individual	Couple
Monthly	\$579.00	\$869.00

<sup>\*</sup> Gross income before applying the \$20 disregard

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Table 3
SLMB INCOME STANDARDS

Effective 4/1/05	Individual	° Couple
Monthly	\$819.00-\$977*	\$1,091-\$1,303*

Table 4
SLMB II INCOME STANDARDS

Effective 4/1/05	Individual	Couple
Monthly	\$978-\$1,097*	\$1,304-\$1,464*

<sup>\*</sup> Gross income before applying the \$20 disregard

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